



ADVENT CHRISTIAN VILLAGE
AT DOWLING PARK




Friendly Neighbor News

Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, FL 32064

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MARCH 29, 2024

Friday	3/29	Good Friday 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Veterans' Service—MS <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Bridge Lessons—OPR Good Friday Service—VC	
Sunday	3/31	Happy Easter 7:30 a.m. <i>9:40 a.m.</i> 2:00 p.m.	Easter Sunrise Service—RDR <i>Morning Worship Service—VC</i> Coloring Book Time of Fellowship—DH Lobby	HAPPY EASTER
Monday	4/1	1:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:00–4:00 p.m.	Low Vision Support Group—OPR VCBI: Understanding 1 Corinthians—VC Room 5 Ceramics—PCS	
Tuesday	4/2	<i>8:30 a.m.</i> 12:30 p.m.	<i>Men's Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> The Basics of the Faith—DR	
Wednesday	4/3	8:45 & 9:00 a.m. 9:00–11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m.	Bus Trip: Walmart—CH & DH Ceramics—PCS Bridge Club—OPR <i>Prayer Meeting—BC</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal—VC	
Thursday	4/4	9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon 3:00 p.m.	Suwannee County Tax Collector—VS Village Artists Guild—KC VCBI: A New and Living Way—VC Room 5 Coping with Caregiving—OPR Stephen Ministries Informational Meeting—OPR	
Friday	4/5	9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 1:00 p.m. 6:15 & 6:30 p.m.	Veterans' Service—MS LifeSouth Bloodmobile—VS <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Bridge Lessons—OPR Bus Trip: Friends of Music Concert: UNF Chamber Singers—DH & LAP	

“After the Sabbath, as the first light of the new week dawned, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to keep vigil at the tomb. Suddenly the earth reeled and rocked under their feet as God’s angel came down from heaven, came right up to where they were standing. He rolled back the stone and then sat on it. Shafts of lightning blazed from him. His garments shimmered snow-white. The guards at the tomb were scared to death. They were so frightened, they couldn’t move. The angel spoke to the women: ‘There is nothing to fear here. I know you’re looking for Jesus, the One they nailed to the cross. He is not here. He was raised, just as he said. Come and look at the place where he was placed.’” Matthew 28:1–6, *The Message*

ACV	Advent Christian Village	CT/MT	Cardinal/Magnolia Terrace	IC	Information Center	POP	Park of the Pines
BA	Butterfield Acres	DH	Dowling House	JKPL	Jo Kennon Public Library	RDR	Rumph Dining Room
BC	Bixler Chapel	DM	Dacier Manor	KC	Keepers Cottage	RV	Smith Riverview Apartments
CB	Chriss Building	DMA	Dowling Manor	LAP	Lake Aquilla Parking Lot	RW	Riverwoods
CH	Carter House	DR	Depot Room	MS	Member Services	SMR	Sawmill Room
CCC	Copeland Community Center	ET	Edgewood Terrace	OPR	Old Pavilion Room	VC	Village Church
CMC	Copeland Medical Center	GSC	Good Samaritan Center	PCS	Polk Ceramics Shop	VS	Village Square

BOLD: ONE-TIME AND MONTHLY EVENTS — ITALIC: PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

IN LOVING MEMORY

Norma Powell (wife of Norman), who was a resident of DMA, died March 24. There will be a graveside service Wednesday, April 3, at 10:30 a.m., at Bixler Memorial Gardens East cemetery off of CR 136. All friends and family are welcome.

Joan Hurley, who was a resident of GSC, died March 22. Her memorial information will be provided when available.

Charlene Hart, who was a resident of CT/MT, DH and GSC, died Feb. 24. Her memorial service will be Wednesday, April 3, at 2:00 p.m. in BC.

Donald Little (husband of Mary), who was a resident CH and GSC, died Feb. 17. His memorial service will be Saturday, April 6, at 11:00 a.m. in SMR/DR. Please RSVP.

TRANSFER

Myra Webb has transferred from DH to Wilson Gardens. Her mailing address remains the same.

MOVE OUT

Janet Stubenrauch has moved from RW. Her new mailing address is 5760 Muldoon Rd., Pensacola, FL 32526.

ANNOUNCEMENT

*Message from the
President's Office
-Craig Carter*

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BANQUET

Monday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

Most people are aware that Advent Christian Village reaches out and serves people in a variety of ways. However, one avenue of service that does not receive a lot of publicity is the Village's annual awarding of college scholarship assistance.

Thanks to the generosity of a number of thoughtful and caring individuals, ACV is able to award college scholarships to many deserving students. Through the Forward Fund and the Marvin E. Jones Educational Trust, scholarship assistance is provided to children served by ACV, children of Village staff, ACV staff members, and worthy students from Suwannee High School.

Each year an awards banquet is held honoring those deserving students, and as we have done in the past, it is again a pleasure to extend an invitation to the Village community to take part in this special evening.

The Annual ACV Scholarship Banquet is scheduled for Monday evening, April 15, at 7:00 p.m., in SMR/DR. If you accept this invitation, you will not only take part in honoring the successes of our young people, but you will also assist with the educational efforts of ACV.

Tickets are \$30 per person with \$15 allocated to cover the cost of the meal and \$15 designated to help fund future ACV scholarships — a \$15 charitable gift is being made to the Village with the purchase of each ticket.

Tickets can be purchased at the Village Cashier's office, and you can obtain more information by contacting Mary Crawford in the President's Office at 658-5500. Deadline for purchase of tickets is Monday, April 8. Seating is limited.

ACV EVENTS

COPING WITH LOW VISION SUPPORT AND RESOURCES GROUP

Monday, April 1, 1:30 p.m. - OPR

Our monthly support group brings people with vision loss together to share challenges and celebrate successes. The individuals who attend are in all stages of vision loss. Some still have most of their sight, while others have lost their sight completely. Together, they foster a warm, inviting place to help one another overcome barriers to living independent, vibrant lives. Join Wayne



Warner from the nonprofit agency, Lighthouse of the Big Bend, for this monthly support group and meeting.

SUWANNEE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

**Thurs., April 4, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. - VS
Closed 12:00–1:00 for lunch**

Staff from the Suwannee County Tax Collector's office including Suwannee County Tax Collector Sharon Jordan are in the VS professional offices on the first Thursday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (closed from 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch). This service will enable you to purchase automobile tags and pay your property taxes. For more information, please contact the Tax Collector's office at 362-2816, or you may visit their website at suwtax.com.



BUS TRIP: FRIENDS OF MUSIC CONCERT: UNF CHAMBER SINGERS

Friday, April 5

6:15 p.m. - DH & 6:30 p.m. - LAP

Bus: \$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

The University of North Florida Chamber Singers are the most select choral ensemble at UNF. Their repertoire covers a wide range of styles, from Monteverdi to Whitacre to Britten, and also spans the genres of world music and vocal jazz. They will perform at Covenant First Presbyterian Church in Live Oak at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 5.

All Friends of Music concerts are free to attend. A reception will follow. Ride the bus for \$5.00 (members) or \$9.00 (non-members). Sign up at the IC.



CLUBS, ACTIVITIES & VOLUNTEERING FAIR

Monday, April 8, 9:00–11:00 a.m. - SMR/DR

ACV offers clubs, activities and volunteering opportunities to add enjoyment, purpose and growth to each member's life here in Dowling Park. Perhaps you are brand new and don't know what's available. Perhaps you are already involved, but you have time in your schedule for something else. Perhaps it's time to make a change. Please plan to come to SMR/DR on Monday, April 8, between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. to browse the tables of opportunities. Come see in what new ways you can be involved at ACV. Perhaps you'll join a new club or pick up a new activity that looks interesting. And ACV can always use more volunteers to help support our ministries.

COPING WITH CAREGIVING
Tuesdays, April 11, 18 & 29
10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon - OPR

Coping with Caregiving is a free four-week course put on by Elder Options designed for family caregivers. Caregivers will learn strategies to manage the challenges and stress of caregiving more effectively. The course is being offered at ACV beginning April 4. To register, contact Judi Calle Tanner at (352) 692-5233 or tannerj@agingresources.org.

APRIL MEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY
Thursday, April 11, 3:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

The April member birthday party will be held on Thursday, April 11, at 3:00 p.m. in SMR/DR. The entertainment will be music by Shawn and Susie Johnson. Special recognition will be given to Village members with April birthdays, but all ACV members and their guests are invited to join us for fun, food and fellowship.



LADIES' BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 13, 8:30 a.m. - SMR/DR

The next ladies' breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 13, at 8:30 a.m. in SMR/DR. Our speaker will be Nancy Beggs, who will share her heart on her journey to peace. A special invitation is extended to new residents; we want to meet you! Come join us for a wonderful time of table fellowship and breaking bread.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.00. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 13, 8:30 a.m. - RDR

The next Men's Fellowship breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 13, at 8:30 a.m. in RDR. The guest speaker will be Rev. Bryce Whiting. He will share his testimony and some life experiences.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.00. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher. Come join us for fellowship, prayer, inspiration, and breaking bread together!

COMMUNITY HEALTH EXPO 2024

Saturday, April 13, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
Heritage Park and Gardens, Live Oak

ACV is partnering with UF/IFAS Extension Suwannee County and the Suwannee County School District to offer the Healthy Families Community Health Expo 2024 on Saturday, April 13, at Heritage Park and Gardens in Live Oak. Learn about keeping your family healthy in Suwannee County. The UF Mobile Health Unit will be on hand for free screenings. There will be booths from the Florida Department of Health, local medical professionals, wellness programs, fitness centers, healthy eating, and more. There will be food, door prizes, and games for everyone.

ACV will not be providing bus transportation to this event.

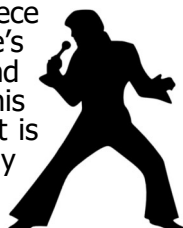
BUS TRIP: COMMUNITY CONCERTS OF LAKE CITY: ELVIS TRIBUTE ARTIST

Saturday, April 13, 7:30 p.m.
Florida Gateway College

Alfonso Levy Performing Arts Center
149 SE College Place, Lake City
5:45 p.m. - DH & 6:00 p.m. - LAP

Bus: \$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

Accompanied by the fabulous nine-piece Memphis Gang Show Band, Matt Stone's uncanny resemblance, remarkable voice, and fiery stage presence portrays the King in his prime: young, agile, and full of energy. "Matt is gifted and handsome, with incredible energy and sex appeal," said Joyce Bova, longtime Elvis girlfriend.



This event is included in your ACV season pass, or you may purchase individual tickets by calling (386) 365-8488 or visiting communityconcerts.info. Individual ticket prices are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. The ACV bus fee is \$5.00 for ACV members and \$9.00 for non-members. Sign up at the IC.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

Events in this section are not sponsored by ACV, even if they take place at ACV.

CINEMA CLASSICS:

JESUS OF NAZARETH, PART 2

Saturday, March 30, 2:00 p.m. - OPR

Come join us to watch Franco Zeffirelli's 1977 masterwork, an uplifting adaptation of the life and teachings of Jesus (played by Robert Powell). Sir Laurence Olivier, Ann Bancroft, and Anthony Quinn co-star in this powerful, faith-affirming portrayal. (Three hours.)

See you on this coming Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in the OPR. Everyone is welcome.

EPISCOPAL EUCHARIST SERVICE

Tuesday, April 2, 11:30 a.m. - BC

You are invited to the monthly Episcopal Eucharist service at ACV held on the first Tuesday of each month. The next service is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, at 11:30 a.m. in BC. Rev. Ken Johnstone of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Live Oak will officiate. All are welcome.

THE BASICS OF THE FAITH

April 2, 9, 23 and 30; 12:30 p.m. - DR

For four weeks in April (2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th) we are going to have a lunchtime discussion group on the simple basics of the Christian faith. We will discuss the seven most basic beliefs that the Christian faith is built on. We will also try to answer any questions you have about the basics of the faith. We will meet in the DR at 12:30 for one hour. Bring or buy lunch, eat, fellowship and discuss together the things of the Lord. Please come and join us. For more information call Michael Saunders at (407) 668-6509.

GIVE BLOOD

Friday, April 5, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. - VS

The LifeSouth Bloodmobile will be parked at the VS Friday, April 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Donating blood is a selfless act by one person to help save the lives of others. Blood cannot be manufactured, and local hospitals rely on LifeSouth blood donors to make sure blood is on the shelf to help patients in their moment of need. LifeSouth provides 100% of the blood needed for patients at HCA Florida Lake City Hospital, all UF Health hospitals, North Florida Regional Medical Center, the Malcom Randall VA Medical Center, South Georgia Medical Center, the Lake Butler Hospital, Starke ER, and Suwannee ER.

VETERANS GATHERING

Friday, April 5, 12:00 noon - RDR

All service members are invited to gather for lunch to eat together on Friday, April 5, at 12:00 noon in RDR. Buy or bring your own lunch. Bring a military MEMENTO. Service members can be ACV residents, employees, or area residents. Invite other veterans!

LIFE LINE ARTERY SCREENING:

FOUR TESTS FOR ONLY \$149

Tuesday, April 9 - Youth Lodge

Life Line Screening goes beyond regular checkups to look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up. Life Line will perform four screenings — carotid artery disease, peripheral arterial disease (PAD), abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA), and atrial fibrillation — all for only \$149. You must register to participate by calling 1-800-679-5191, by going online to LLSA.SOCIAL/HC, or by texting the word circle to (216) 279-1607. Getting screened is simple; it is painless, non-invasive, and you can keep your clothes on.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, April 9 & 23, 10:00 a.m. - CCC

Come and join us for a ladies Bible study at CCC on Tuesdays, April 9 and 23, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Looking forward to meeting all of you.

ANNUAL MAINER POTLUCK LUNCHEON

The annual Mainer potluck luncheon will be held at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 10, at the Harmony Center. Please call Judy Hatch at 658-2833 with any questions.



JO KENNON PUBLIC LIBRARY

386-658-2670

Website: srplib.org

Email: dpark@neflin.org

Monday, Wednesday–Friday 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Closed Sunday

JKPL Closed

JKPL will be closed on Friday, March 29, in observance of Good Friday.

Solar Eclipse 101

On April 8 we will experience a once-in-a-generation solar eclipse. Our area will see a partial eclipse of about 75% coverage at the midpoint. Would you like to have a better understanding of what is occurring during a solar eclipse? Join our local expert, Steve Reas, on April 8 at 1:00 p.m. as he gives a crash course on the behavior of the moon and the sun. When your education is complete, grab your eclipse glasses (free while supplies last) and head outside to watch the show!

Card Making with Linda Branich

On Tuesday, April 9, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., local card maker Linda Branich will walk you through the creation of three different beautiful cards. Supplies are provided, but class size is limited, so sign up online (www.srplib.org — Dowling Park location), in person, or call JKPL.

As the Page Turns

If you haven't had a chance to grab a copy of *Dorchester Terrace* or *Treachery at Lancaster Gate* by Anne Perry, it is not too late! The next ATPT book club meeting will be on April 4, at 2:00 p.m., so you have plenty of time to pick up your selection and immerse yourself in a good mystery. Both books are part of the popular Charlotte and Thomas Pitt series, so if you get hooked more are available!

History of Suwannee County

On April 4 at 10:00 a.m., Eric Musgrove will be visiting us with his monthly installment of the history of Suwannee County. Join him as he delivers a detailed view of the changes, both man-made and those occurring naturally, that made the landscape and people of this area what it is today. Eric combines storytelling with a PowerPoint filled with photos, maps, and other reference material to help walk the attendees through the period being studied. This is a great opportunity to get to know your hometown (or new hometown)!

Tax Forms at JKPL

It's tax time again. If you need tax forms (1040 or 1040SR) or instructions, come by JKPL and pick up a copy. If you need additional forms, we will be happy to print them for you.

Just a Small Collection of Words

"Every man's memory is his private literature" (Aldous Huxley).

Starbooks Café Topic

What was the biggest, best, or worst decision you've ever made or felt you were forced into?

Weekly JKPL Meetings:

Starbooks Café	Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.
Crochet Creations	Thursdays	3:00 p.m.
Hot Topics	2nd & 4th Thurs.	10:00 a.m.
Kids Corner	Saturdays	11:00 a.m.



BUS TRIPS

If you wish to ride the ACV bus on these trips, you must contact the IC in person or by phone at 658-3333 to sign up. Please be considerate of those who have allergies and limit your use of perfumes, aftershaves, and colognes when riding the bus.

WEEKLY LIVE OAK SHOPPING TRIPS

There is no charge for Village members to participate in the regular weekly Live Oak shopping trips. If you have questions, call Member Services at 658-5400.

Please remember to bring your own bags on the Wednesday shopping trips to assist in keeping everyone's purchases separate.

- **April 3, Wednesday a.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 8:45 a.m. and DH at 9:00 a.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 11:30 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **April 3, Wednesday p.m.** — No shopping trip.
- **April 10, Wednesday a.m.** — Publix — Leave CH at 8:45 a.m. and DH at 9:00 a.m. Leave from Publix at approximately 11:30 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **April 10, Wednesday p.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 4:00 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **April 17, Wednesday a.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 8:45 a.m. and DH at 9:00 a.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 11:30 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **April 17, Wednesday p.m.** — No shopping trip.

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

- April 5 — Friends of Music Concert: UNF Chamber Singers
- April 6 — Hooked on Heroes
- April 13 — Community Concerts of Lake City: Elvis Tribute Artist
- April 20 — Dine-Out to Farm House Restaurant

DINE-OUT TO FARM HOUSE RESTAURANT

Saturday, April 20

4:00 p.m. - DH & 4:15 p.m. - LAP

\$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

Farm House Restaurant in Lake Park, Georgia, offers a variety of dishes on an extensive menu: country favorites, sandwich platters, soups, stews, salads, steaks, seafood, and more. Choices range from \$5.19 to \$20.99. Sign up at the IC.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE VILLAGE CHURCH

Rev. Sam Worley, Senior Minister

Church Office - 658-5344 - P.O. Box 4314

SERMON: "An Easter Meditation"

SPEAKER: Rev. Frank Hall

Easter Sunday, March 31, we will be having a sunrise service at 7:30 a.m. in RDR. Please join us as we celebrate the resurrection. Light refreshments in VC Room 5 afterwards. Then join us for the worship service at 9:40 a.m. as we celebrate all that Easter is and means to us.

The WHFMS will be hosting a **World Day of Prayer** event on Friday, April 12, at 10:00 a.m. in SMR/DR. We will be praying for Palestine and the countries/leaders where Advent Christians are involved in mission work. Peter Ard will be speaking. We will end with a covered dish lunch. You are encouraged to bring an international dish if possible. Please make reservations

on the sign-up sheet at the church information area, or by calling the church office or Barbara Phipps at (386) 688-2361.

The following VC events are happening this week:

Friday, March 29

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Donald Wrigley (VC Room 5)
3:00 p.m. — Good Friday Service, Randy Lamb (VC)

Sunday, March 31

7:30 a.m. — Sunrise Service (RDR)
9:40 a.m. — Morning Worship (VC)

Monday, April 1

1:30 p.m. — VCBI: Understanding 1 Corinthians, Donald Wrigley (VC Room 5)
6:00 p.m. — Youth Handbells Practice
7:00 p.m. — Adult Handbells Practice

Tuesday, April 2

8:30 a.m. — Men's Bible Study (VC Room 5)

Wednesday, April 3

6:00 p.m. — Prayer Meeting (BC)
6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice (VC)

Thursday, April 4

10:00 a.m. — VCBI: A New and Living Way (Hebrew 10:20), Mike Elder and Stan Storey (VC Room 5)

Friday, April 5

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Donald Wrigley (VC Room 5)

VILLAGE CASHIER

Lynn Mabey—386-658-5343

Monday–Friday, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

The Village Cashier's office will be closed Thursday and Friday, April 11 and 12. Please place money on your meal card by the Wednesday, the 10th, and if you pay your statement at the Village Cashier's office, please do it before the 10th or plan to do it the 15th or after. Thank you.

MEMBER SERVICES

James Sutter—386-658-5400

I have it on good authority that all of the nature trails between CH and CCC are open once again. Some will be difficult to navigate with a golf cart yet. And because of the eroding riverbank, the white trail remains for walking only.

We are currently experiencing a shortage of bus drivers. Because of that, we have scheduled fewer bus trips than normal over the next three months. Also, beginning Saturday, April 6, there will be no shuttle bus service on Saturdays until further notice.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Health & Wellness Fair on Friday. We had a good turnout, and the agencies who participated were pleased. Door prizes were won by Ginny Ballard, Celeste Cook, Jo England, Joy Evans-Russ, Gloria Fountain, Louise Grant, Candy Hall, Elaine Harris, Nancy Lange, Janeen Maxwell, Deloris Morgan, Carroll Polk, Virginia Robertson, Hellmut Seidenberg, Terry Setzer, Verdell Smith, Frank Walker, Marilyn Yale, and Suzanne Young.

Monday, April 8, we will have our annual Clubs, Activities & Volunteering Fair. If you are part of an ACV club, activity or volunteering opportunity and would like to have a table at the fair, please contact MS.

Beginning Monday, April 1, Second Harvest will deliver boxes of fresh produce to DH and CH between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. This will occur every first Monday of the month until further notice in conjunction with their deliveries to the Church of God. All ACV residents are welcome to take from these donations.

Member Services Tip of the Week

In order to have a bus trip, there must be a minimum of 10 passengers. For the sake of good financial practice and good stewardship, we ask for payment of the bus fee at the time of sign-up for the trip. Those who pay will be placed higher on the list than those who have not paid. Waiting to pay may result in you being moved to the waiting list if enough others pay and fill all of the seats before you pay the fee. The fee will be returned if the trip is canceled. If you have to cancel your trip, your money will be refunded if you give 24 hours notice. You will be advised the day before

if the trip is canceled, and your money will be refunded. This policy does not cover the regular Wednesday shopping trips. There is NO fee for those trips for members, and currently no minimum number of passengers. Please keep in mind that ACV members bump non-members if no other seats are available.

Scam Tip of the Week:

Registration Fee Voucher Scam

You receive a "Final Notice" in the mail in reference to a vehicle or residence you currently own or formerly owned. The letter contains legitimate details about the vehicle or residence that are available in public records, including your name, address, and other information about the vehicle or residence. Attached to the letter is a "Registration Fee Voucher" — a check for \$199 or a similar amount. Cashing this check is your acceptance to the scam program and will result in you owing the scam company thousands of dollars. Do not call the number, and do not cash the check. Shred the letter and forget about it.

ACV ACTIVITY NEWS

BRIDGE CLUB

Betsey Ruehl, Reporter

The Bridge Club meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the OPR. If you would like to play, please call Betsey Ruehl by noon on Monday at 658-1766.

Congratulations to our March 20 winners: 1st high, Lew Gessler, and 2nd high, Frank Smith.

Lessons are scheduled for Friday afternoons at 1:00 in the OPR. If you would like to learn how to play bridge or would like a refresher, call Betsey.

VILLAGE LIBRARY

Monday–Friday

10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon & 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Brenda Reas, Reporter

More children's books were recently donated to our library. "And why might we want more children's books?" you may ask. Well, sometimes on holiday weekends, the JKPL is closed, but we are still open, and when grandchildren come to visit and need something to read, we have it. Our children's section is next to the double doors, on the bottom shelf, watched over by a cute, little teddy bear who can also be borrowed.

Please have your ACV ID badge available when you come to check out books and DVDs. We are located in the Schoolhouse Room between the OPR and IC. Our drop box is located around the corner across from the restrooms (beneath the bulletin board), and you may return books and DVDs there at any time.

PEN PAL PROGRAM

A Committee of the Membership Association
Monica Serlick, Reporter

The end-of-year Awards Banquet at the Boys Ranch is Monday, May 13, at 6:00 p.m. More details to come.

The youth will be gone for Spring Break March 30–April 7. I will still be delivering letters on March 29 before they go and on April 5 before they get back to class on the 8th. Please remember to write your pen pals. Even though they don't always write a lot they do



LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Friday, March 29

Beer Battered Cod with Coleslaw and
Homemade Chips

Saturday, March 30

Chicken Parmesan with Spaghetti and
Garlic Toast

look forward to hearing from you every week. Many of them actually save your letters.

IMPORTANT: Pen pals, please get the letters you received in order from first letter to most recent on top. In April, my team will be reviewing letter format to see who has become the most improved writer. Please send your folder or envelope to Monica at PO Box 4011; they will all be returned to you afterwards. The winner will be the recipient of the prepaid shopping card that will be purchased in late April and presented to them at the May Awards Banquet at the FSyr.

If you would like to be a pen pal please contact me at (386) 330-4865 and leave a message. I will call you back.

"Every child deserves a champion — an adult who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best they can possibly be" (Rita Pierson).

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Rev. Michael Saunders, Reporter

Sometimes we don't know what to say to people. Here is a handy image from Stephen Ministries that will help. Let's change the direction of conversations so they help and not hurt. Which one of these statements would help you the most?

Instead of ...	Say ...
Keep a stiff upper lip.	→ I can see you're hurting.
It's for the best.	→ Wow, that's really hard.
I know how you feel.	→ How are you really feeling?
God doesn't give you more than you can handle.	→ Can I pray for you?
It's God's will.	→ I'm so sorry that happened to you.
You should do _____!	→ I don't know what to say. How can I help?
You'll get over this in no time!	→ Give yourself time to heal.
You'll be fine.	→ I'm here for you.

Questions? Feel free to contact ACV Stephen Ministries via email at stephenministries@acvillage.net, by calling 658-5378, and/or stop by the Stephen Ministries office in MS on Monday mornings between 9:00 and 11:30 or Wednesday afternoons between 1:30 and 4:00. You may also join us on Thursday, April 4, at 3:00 pm in the OPR to learn more about Stephen Ministry at ACV.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

Jack "CrackerJack" Dixon, Reporter

I apologize for not having an article last week. It wasn't because I didn't try. Our computer is POSSESSED and was totally out of whack last week, and I couldn't get it to the FNN in time.

I have fully recovered from my fall I had about a month ago. I felt pain like I have never felt in my life. Thanks for your prayers and cards.

The update on our sick is a good one. Allan Smith is about to finish up on his radiation treatments and is doing well, all things considered. I saw his mother-in-law, Arlene Williamson, in church at GSC on Sunday. She was asked how she was doing and she said, "I'm still kicking, but not as high as I used to." I wish I could have some good news about Phyllis Klitzkie, however the last I heard, was that she is under hospice care in Orange Park. I also saw Pat Northup in GSC at church and she was doing well.

I haven't had the chance to connect with Mike Hitchcock but I did hear that he was operated on and

the cancer had been removed. The doctors said they were pleased with the results. This is great news as Mike and Cindy are soon to be grandparents in the spring sometime. Please pray for all these good folks.

Please remember if you have any news of interest you would like to share, you can email me at jackwdixonis@gmail.com or call me at 658-2113 and leave a message.

Our birthday list is topped by Ms. Amy Hancock who must be a lot smarter after her special day on the 27th of this month. Amy told me she gets smarter every year. Hope you had a happy birthday.

We are planning a potluck at the end of April. We will be having it on Saturday, April 27, starting at 5:00 p.m. Our theme will be "Hurry back, snowbirds. We're going to miss you." So start thinking for what you plan on bringing and mark the date on your calendar. Let's make this a record turnout.

You know you don't realize what we have until we lose it. I find striving for success without hard work is like trying to harvest where you haven't planted. A bulldozer is someone that can sleep through political speeches!

As we approach Resurrection Sunday, we should all humble ourselves and praise our Savior's holy name, thanking Him for His great sacrifice and giving us life everlasting.

From the veranda of our humble abode overlooking the ever-so-smooth and dust-free 102nd Trail in beautiful BA, call someone on Easter and tell them you love them, and never forget who is in charge Isaiah 40:28-31. God bless!

CARTER HOUSE

Monica Serlick, Reporter

We have one birthday coming up this week. Sister Maria Ann Decker celebrates her special day on April 3. May God continue to bless you every day as you serve Him by serving others through your charitable work. "May the Lord crown your year with His bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance" (Psalm 65:11).

Please continue to keep all those who are ill, recovering or struggling in your thoughts and prayers.

If you have any news you would like to share with others, please call and give me details.

NOTICE: Starting Monday, April 1, and the first Monday of every month thereafter, the Church of God Second Harvest Food Bank will be bringing the food over to the CH and DH common room areas between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. You will no longer have to take the bus to go there. Any resident of ACV can come to CH or DH and receive fresh produce those days.

Alexis Allen, one of ACV's service coordinators who has been a blessing to residents for several years, will be leaving the ACV family and moving to Jacksonville. Her last day is Friday, March 29. She was instrumental in assisting so many people with various issues to help smooth out their everyday living environment. Please remember to stop by and thank her while wishing her well in her future endeavors. We will miss her!

On Wednesday, April 3, at 2:00 p.m. Pastor Frank Hall will be officiating a memorial service in BC in loving memory of Charlene J. Hart. She was the sister of Barbara White (CH) and mother of Becky Wells (CH) and Richard Peterman. There will be a small reception after the service in SMR/DR. The family requests that only family and close friends attend the reception. Thank you.

Remember to be respectful of other residents and visitors. Please do not confront anyone if you think they are violating any of ACV's rules or policies. If you see anything that you believe is out of the ordinary or inappropriate, please contact the IC at 658-3333 and report it. They will ensure someone is sent to check things out. This is your home, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

DOWLING HOUSE

Patricia Adele Lyons, Reporter

Praise God and pass the salt, my dear friends! How about a shout of praise to our Lord for the beautiful weather?!

We have two birthdays this week to celebrate: Bruce Harris on the 27th and Mary Lou Forsythe on the 29th. We all hope you both have a great birthday, and eat all the cake and ice cream you can!

Beginning Monday, April 1, the Church of God food bank will be delivering boxes to DH and CH between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. They will continue to do so on the first Monday of each month. Any resident of ACV can come to CH or DH and get some fresh produce on those days.

Jean Snyder and her siblings, Barbara Rawls, Sue Lazar, and Dick Beggs (and wife, Nancy), thoroughly enjoyed their recent family reunion here at ACV. There were 30 in attendance, including five youngsters who kept everyone on their toes. They filled Smith Cottage, some stayed at the Lodge, and some with family and friends. They came from California, Texas, Alabama, North Carolina, Atlanta, and Tampa. The fun lasted over four days, and the weather was great. Some hadn't seen each other in years, which made it even more special. Delicious meals were prepared by a plethora of cooks who kept them filled. They look forward to their annual reunion next year.

Well, folks, get outside, soak up some sun, inhale some of that sweet and cool spring air, and remember: When someone truly loves you, the way they say your name is different. And you just know that your name is always safe in their mouth.

Jesus speaking: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" (John 13:34-35).

EDGEWOOD TERRACE **Sandra Kelly, Reporter**

Hello again, ET! Happy birthday to Marilyn Yale on March 29 and to Judy Forinash on March 30. "The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age" (Lucille Ball). Happy anniversary to Mary Jo and Tommie Stanaland on March 31. "Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope" (Maya Angelou).

A great time was had by all at our get-to-gather on March 23. Over 30 people attended. There were so many different kinds of soups and chili dishes that it was impossible to taste every one. But the conversation and the chats were even more varied. We were able to welcome new members and to catch up with all of the news from neighbors, discuss every topic under the sun, and just enjoy seeing one another. How nice it is to take the time to socialize and get reacquainted with our friends.

There are other venues for seeing our neighbors in a fun setting. At Cleo's Meeting House on Monday afternoons, we meet for Scrabble at 1:00 p.m. That evening at 6:00 p.m. we meet for dominoes. On Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. we meet for a cardgame of Hand and Foot. Bingo meets on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m., and there are numerous notes in the FNN for other possibilities to explore throughout the Village.

According to piedmont.org, being with friends helps us cope with stress. An article in the American Society of Aging noted that older adults with larger social networks have a good episodic memory, better cognitive functions, and a lower allostatic load, which is the wear and tear on the body and brain from being stressed. Being with friends improves our psychological health and improves our outlook. Lessening stress gives us better cardiovascular health, expands our longevity, and improves our enjoyment of life.

From the mayoclinic.org: "Friendships increase your sense of belonging and purpose; boost your happiness and reduce your stress; improve your self-confidence and self-worth; help you cope with traumas, such as divorce, serious illness, job loss or the death of a loved one; and encourage you to change or avoid unhealthy lifestyle habits, such as excessive drinking or lack of exercise."

But remember, to have friends, you must first be a friend (Elbert Hubbard). Make it a goal to increase your circle of friendships by reaching out to someone this week. If all else fails, volunteer for one of the

positions in the Village shops. You will meet people, learn something new, and thoroughly enjoy the experience.

The weather has been gorgeous this past week. The flowers are blooming, the grass is growing, and the birds are singing. Get out and ENJOY!

GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER AND DACIER MANOR **Bruce Arnold, Reporter**

As Jesus entered Jerusalem the people paved the way with branches and their cloaks, and shouted "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest" (Mark 11:8-10)!

In 2016 Donald Trump ran his presidential campaign on the slogan, "Make America Great Again." I wonder if the people's cries of "Hosanna" (which means "save us now") and "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David" were their way of saying "Make Israel Great Again!"

For so many years the people of Israel had been subject to Roman rule, and they wanted to be free. They longed for the "glory days" when a king sat on the throne, and they had something to be proud of. But, were those glory days really glorious? If we read the

At the Village Square

Riverside Gifts

The trees have new leaves, the weather is getting nicer, and more people are out and about down at the VS. There is still time to get in on the sale of bird seed bells, mailbox covers, date books, and Easter goodies.

We have super giant print KJV Bibles and more on the way.

We are soon getting more safety whistles, gift boxed items, and baseball hats.

Featured this week are stands that have two sided picture frame and a little vase for growing plants in water or even artificial bouquets.

Happy Easter and have a blessed spring.

658-5771. Open Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Rustic Shop

This is your last chance to complete your Easter baskets. Visit the Rustic Shop and pick up those items that make your basket original and distinctive. In addition, you will find unique items for decorating your home or for gift giving. We have a Reed and Barton Bar Set for you or for a friend's gift. There is a Simply Southern mirror that would make a beautiful addition for your wall. There is a wooden collapsible shelving unit with hand carved inlay to emphasize a spot in your living room. Like jewelry? We have a 14 K gold ring with five diamonds to equal a 1/2 carat just for you! Need a new watch? Ben Bowen has donated several for you to look at and pick the one that is just right. Come by and look at these and many other lovely pieces that will tickle your decorating fancy.

658-5273. Open Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Twice Nice Shop

The remodeled Twice Nice Shop is open.

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events that took place during the times of the kings, we find out that because of their stubbornness and hard hearts, they ended up scattered, and even taken off into captivity into a foreign land and made subject to another king! But, this would be different, they thought. Jesus would once and for all vanquish their enemies, and finally bring them back to glory.

I had a thought concerning the type of kingdom people wanted that day, and even what type of "kingdom" people long for today. If Jesus had actually established his kingdom and ruled on a throne, how long would it take for the people to become complacent once again, and fall back into their old ways? How about us today? What is our definition of being great? Having a person who we think will fix all our problems? I truly believe that no one man or woman will ever be elected to the presidency and finally solve all our problems! The reason being, that our problem is not who our king, or president is, but it's a problem of the heart.

Jesus knew that even if he ascended to a throne, it wouldn't solve the greater problem of sin. People needed a savior, not from Rome, but from themselves and their sinful ways. I believe people today don't need a savior from Washington; we need a savior from sin — from our own sinfulness. God's people, the church, have this message to proclaim. Jesus indeed brought deliverance, and those who recognized it and received it were truly set free. Today, Jesus offers that same deliverance. Instead of looking to a man or woman to fix our problems, let Jesus bring deliverance and set you free.

On Thursday, a number of pastors from the Central District of Advent Christian Churches came to GSC for a Maundy-Thursday service. We had to change the time from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. due to the big Easter Egg Hunt at GSC.

Speaking of the BIG Easter Egg Hunt, the children from Wee Care came by to hunt for and enjoy the candy-filled Easter eggs. Our residents and staff have been working hard to be sure those eggs were full of goodies for the children!

GSC and DM will have a Good Friday service on Friday, March 29, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.

GSC and DM continue to meet every Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room. The past four weeks we have been learning about our church in India, "Calvary Healing Mountain", a ministry of Adda Road AC Church in Andhra Pradesh. Our giving to Penny Crusade is a tangible way of reaching out to help this ministry continue. As of this past Sunday our total for Penny Crusade is \$241.45. It has been amazing to see how so many of our residents and visitors have taken on the challenge to collect their change and bring it in. We've got two more weeks to go. Let's see what our total will be! This Sunday is Easter Sunday, so we will be here at GSC at 9:45 a.m. to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus!

I still have a number of used Bibles available for anyone who would like one. I will soon take them to "Twice Nice" because I need to free up some space on my bookshelf. If you'd like one of these, or a Giant Print KJV Bible, please call me at (386) 249-2792 or email barnold@acvillage.net, and I will make sure you get one.

RIVERWOODS

Betsey Ruehl, Reporter

Pictures are coming in for the May 23 social "Getting to know you better". Please send a picture of you from years ago: a baby picture of you at five or 10 or 15 or 20. Pictures will be returned that night. Send your picture to me at Box 4849, or drop off a framed picture at my house.

Our neighbor, Steve Amodie, has FOUND his dog. Both are recuperating from an anxious few days.

While out walking and chatting with neighbors, because of his initials, "GE" said he must be a dishwasher. I said he could be anything he wanted: a washing machine, a stove, a refrigerator, etc. My initials aren't nearly as much fun: "EW" or "ER". How about yours?

Gary reminded me that we also have wrens coming to eat, drink and be merry at the feeders and in the birdbath. We have recently seen the goldfinches in their bright yellow feathers. The most distinctive, I think, are the woodpeckers with their bright red heads. My favorites are still the hummingbirds. I have quite the collection of them hanging from ceiling fans and decorating various places in the house. Last year, Ann Lawrence told Gary about a special statue that had come into the Rustic Shop. It is now proudly displayed at our house.

There is a quote that says to "become a window" based on Zhuangzi's quote, "Look at this window: it is nothing but a hole in the wall, but because of it the whole room is full of light. So when the faculties are empty, the heart is full of light." Wouldn't it be delightful if someone could "walk into the welcome of our smile" as written by John Shea.

MEMBER BENEFITS

ACV offers a variety of programs and services to its members under the membership program. Members pay a monthly fee to provide supplemental support for this array of services and programs, meeting many of the varied needs of its members, as well as providing the opportunity to live his or her life to its fullest potential and highest level of independence. Some services you may not need today, you may well find important or essential in the future, and your financial participation makes it possible for your neighbor to have access to the services they need now.

This week's member benefit of note:

During its open season, ACV members and employees may swim in the outdoor pool for free after showing their ID badge. Guests of the Conference & Retreat Center may swim for free after showing their room key. Family members need a pass, which may be purchased at the Village Lodge office. The outdoor pool usually opens as schools close for the summer.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

TERRY & PHYLLIS KLITZKIE'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY RESCHEDULED AND RELOCATED

The 50th wedding anniversary party for Terry and Phyllis Klitzkie has been rescheduled from April 6 to March 31 at their daughter Lisa Butler's home in Orange Park, Florida, at 3:00 p.m. Please RSVP to (386) 249-9479 if you plan to attend.

PHOTO DISPLAY IN PHILLIPS CENTER

Gary Kueppers, Reporter

New photos have been placed in the photo display outside the OPR near the Lopin' Gopher. The current theme is "Sunrises/Sunsets". The next themes are "Fowl & Foul", followed by "Photos of Residents When They Were Age two to 10 Years". Please send me your photos when you can. I can accept digital photos to my email address, gkuep1945@windstream.net. I can also scan prints up to size 8½ x 11 inches, so call me at 658-6442. Thanks to all who have sent me photos for display!

CLARKE LITTLE MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service will be held for the late Donald Clarke Little on Saturday, April 6, at 11:00 a.m. in SMR/DR. A light meal will be provided, so please RSVP with Mary Little at (386) 205-5674 or Ed Algreen at (863) 273-4397 or algreens@live.com.

VCBI

The next course offerings for the Village Church Bible Institute will begin in April. Please join us. You can sign up in the VC office or with Michael Saunders at (407) 668-6509.

- **How Can I Accurately Interpret New Testament Books?**

Sundays at 11:00 (following the Sunday School schedule) — OPR — Tom Spannagle

- **Pictures of Theology - Studies in Revelation**
Wednesdays beginning April 10, 10:00–12:00 — VC Room 5 — Michael Saunders
- **A New and Living Way - Hebrews 10:20**
Thursdays beginning April 11, 10:00–11:00 — VC Room 5 — Stan Storey and Mike Elder
- **The Roman Road**
Fridays beginning April 12, 1:00–2:00 — CCC — Michael Saunders
- **Understanding I Corinthians**
Mondays beginning April 15, 1:30–2:30 — VC Room 5 — Donald B Wrigley

BOB COPELAND'S NEWEST BOOK

Bob Copeland's newest book, *God & Gospel Musings*, has been released exclusively on Amazon in Kindle format. Immerse yourself in this compact yet powerful book that offers divine perspectives on a variety of subjects. It's like a treasure trove of wisdom that will make you feel closer to God.

FROM BAGS TO BEDS

Last month, upon dropping the plarn balls off to Kathleen, who heads this plarn ministry, she gave me some delightful news. The Live Oak Chamber of Commerce presented her with an award for her many volunteer services, one of them being, starting our plarn ministry. Upon accepting the award she mentioned she does not do this alone; she could not have done it without the help of the many people that volunteer. Volunteering is something that makes one feel good inside — giving to someone or something that could use some help. We have many people at ACV volunteering to help inside and outside of the Village.

I felt compelled to pass the story on to all who help in the plarn process. Know that you are needed and acknowledged for all your efforts. Thank you! Kathleen sincerely sends her many thanks for your help.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 2, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon, then Thursday, April 11, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon, both at Cleo's Meeting House. Hope to see you there. You can contact me at (904) 484-8796.

Linda Warner (Douglas)

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is now making appointments. You can make your appointment at First Baptist Church of Dowling Park. Volunteers will be at First Baptist Church of Dowling Park on Saturdays during income tax season to assist people who make less than \$75,000 per year.

VITA volunteers make tax returns simple. Any help you can give would be appreciated for this calling. For information, contact First Baptist Church of Dowling Park at 386-658-2360

NANCY HARRISON, CPA

Nancy Harrison, CPA will be holding office hours — by appointment only — for meeting with tax clients and for document drop off on the following dates: April 2 and 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Clients should contact Nancy at (386) 249-2944, (850) 212-6799 or nfharrisoncpa@gmail.com to make an appointment.

Nancy welcomes any tax questions you might have either by phone, text (850-212-6799 only) or email.

LEGAL SERVICES

The law firm of Robinson, Kennon & Kendron, P.A. will see clients by appointment only from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the following dates in the VS professional offices: April 12 and 26; May 10 and 24. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 117.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Wendy B. Meyer, CFP®, CRPC®, CDFA®, financial advisor with Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC is at the Village on the third Wednesday of every other month (February, April, June, August, October and December) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the VS professional

offices. Call (850) 973-8888 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

HAIR CROPPERS

Springtime special: Per request, we are offering a special hand and foot massage session for \$45. Call or text (386) 205-3791 and schedule an appointment! Thank you for choosing Hair Croppers.

SQUARE CUTS AND MORE Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.

Call (386) 647-6240 for an appointment.
Kindly give 12–24-hour notice for cancellations or extra charges will apply.

RIDE-ABOUT

If you're interested in utilizing the Ride-About (ACV's red, 10-passenger golf cart) for a tour of some kind, call MS at 658-5400.

ACV QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you have a question about the Village you think others would also like to ask? Did you see something curious or hear something you'd like confirmed? Submit your question to Member Services, and we will do our best to find out the answer for you and publish it here. You must include your name with the question because follow-up information may be necessary.

Q: What is the Village-Wide Yard Sale?

A: May 4, the first Saturday of May, your household is invited to hold a yard/garage/rummage sale at your residence. Those in apartment buildings can have tables in their building's common room. (If you want to share one location with friends, that is also allowed.) Those households that participate will be included on advertising ACV will publicize for this annual event. It's a way to encourage a greater number of folks to come to Dowling Park to visit all of the sales since there will be several happening the same day.

THANK YOU

Dear members of the ACV and VC community, Christ in you has touched our lives. Candy and I were blessed by your attendance at our retirement event. Your generous gifts and expressions of love are greatly appreciated. Candy and I are blessed to be a part of ACV. With love in Christ,

Pastor Frank and Candy Hall

MISCELLANEOUS

PLEASE NOTE: All submissions to the FNN must have a name attached. If you prefer to not have your name included with the listing in the FNN, indicate that on the submission. Only ACV members and staff may advertise here. Ads run for two weeks.

WANTED: Someone from the Hidden Garden that would be willing to help me plant and care for 8 Dahlia bulbs. Call Debbie at 954-309-9475.**

FOR SALE: Gray love seat for sale. Need to sell, make offer. Contact Joe and Helen at 386-984-8698.**

WANTED: Someone with experience in using an Apple desktop computer to help a Village member navigate the basics. Call Debbie at 954-309-9475.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: GSC is in need of volunteers. We need help taking residents to the fish pond, sitting with them on the patios, or reading mail to them, just to name a few. If you find it in your heart to give a little time to a resident, please call Kathleen at 658-5573.*

FOR SALE: Candy apple red EWheel scooter. Very good condition. A few dings and scratches but they are hard to see. Has windshield, roof, new lithium ion batteries, charger, new tires, rearview mirror, 3-speed

switch, headlights, tail and hazard lights, turn signals, reverse, horn, battery indicator, twist throttle, adjustable seat, arm rest, trunk, and owner's manual. \$2500 OBO. Please call Gary Hildreth at 352-250-6871.*

FREE: Queen size Serta mattress, a Harbor Shores Plus model. Mattress is very clean and in very good condition. Ready for pick up. Also, 12 medium size, used packing boxes. Clean and sturdy. Ready for pick

up. Please call 207-357-7148 and ask for Derri Johnson.*

NEEDED: A good used washer and dryer. Call 386-249-2792 or email barnold@acvillage.net.*

WANTED: Pinochle players. Call Betsey Ruehl at 658-1766.*

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Birthdays

- 1.** George Wilson, Peggy Zachow; **3.** Sister Maria Ann Decker;
5. Joan Babineau, Phyllis Gladu, Shawn Kuse; **6.** Kerry Burke-Mackenzie;
7. Lee McGauley; **8.** Debbie Welling, Harold Hansen; **9.** Roger Swift*;
11. Gloria Owens*; **13.** Rita Robinson*, Debbie Skinner, Lucy Hine;
14. Rose Howell*; **15.** Meg Burden, Mike Elder; **19.** Bob Lutz, Robin Robinson;
20. Barbara Kile, Robert Bunnell, Sue Donnelly; **21.** Shirley Boyd*;
22. Patricia-Adele Lyons; **23.** Barbara Richards, John Richmond, Susie Lewis, Jorge Gonzalez*;
24. Arthur Lawrence, Paul Cochrane;
25. Marsha Summerlin*, Phyllis Rand; **26.** Carl McCall*;
27. Bruce Harris, Donna Willberg, Kathy Kemp, Verdell Smith;
28. Carmeta Clement, Kathy Groves; **29.** Marilyn Yale, Mary Lou Forsythe, Betty Dobbins*;
30. Judy Forinash, Sue Whitmore.

Anniversaries

- 6.** Peter & Susann Riedel, Robbie & Virginia Robertson;
9. Elaine & Mark Brennan; **15.** Dick & Lynda Thurston;
16. Gaye & Phil Martin; **30.** Carolyn & Russell Wadsworth.

*Denotes GSC resident. Send cards to P.O. Box 4325.

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Sugardale Smoked Ham Portions	per lb.	\$ 1.99
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Sugardale Spiral Sliced Ham	per lb.	\$ 3.29
Seabest Breaded Butterfly Shrimp	10 oz.	\$ 4.99
93% Lean Ground Chuck	per lb.	\$ 6.29
Boneless Ribeye Steak	per lb.	\$13.99

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This Week's Verse:

Oh, that we might know the Lord! Let us press on to know Him,
and he will respond to us as surely as the coming of dawn
or the rain of early spring.

Hosea 6:3

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DON'T BE A VICTIM

FRAUD PREVENTION TIPS

If you can answer “Yes” to any of the following questions, you could be involved in a fraud or are about to be scammed!

- x Are you sending money, gift cards, checks or any money orders to anyone you met online or over the phone?
 - x Have you been informed that you are the winner of a lottery, Publisher's Clearing House, or any other prizes?
 - x Have you been instructed to wire, send or ship money as soon as possible to pay for a debt or arrest warrant, to bail a family member out of jail, or to take care of an IRS tax debt?
 - x Did you respond to an unknown email, text message, or phone call asking to verify any of your personal banking or credit account information or provide your personal information such as name, date of birth, etc.?
- ➔ The IRS, FBI, or any form of U.S. government will not call you, message you, or request that you pay them over the phone or through gift cards, or by mailing cash.
- ➔ If you receive a call stating a loved one or friend is injured, arrested, or in an accident, do not provide any information. Obtain detailed information and call the appropriate authorities to determine if the contact is real or fraudulent.
- ➔ Never provide your personal or any banking information to anyone online or over the phone, or to anyone you do not personally know and can trust with said information.

Sheriff St. John and the deputies of the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office want you to stay informed on the many ways criminals work to scam their victims. Should you have any concerns or questions please contact the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office at (386) 362-2222 and ask to speak with a deputy.

March 29–April 5, 2024

FRIDAY, 3/29

\$2.53 Soup: Clam Chowder

\$6.44 Entrées: GF Baked Catfish, GF Garlic Butter Shrimp, Fried Catfish, Roasted Chicken Thighs and Legs

\$1.21 Sides: Mixed Greens, Okra and Tomatoes, Beets, Cold Salads, Fruit, Baked Beans, Plain Grits, Cheesy Grits

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 3/30

\$2.53 Soup of the Day

\$7.59 Whistle Stop Special: Chicken Sandwich, Pea Salad, Ice Cream, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 3/31

Lunch Buffet

Members \$12.63 | Non-Members \$17.81 | Beverage Included

Entrées: Ham, Prime Rib, Fried Chicken

Sides: Green Beans, Corn, Honey Glazed Carrots, Side Salad, Dinner Rolls

Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

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MONDAY, 4/1

\$2.53 Soup: Soup of the Day

\$6.44 Entrées: Liver and Onions, Chicken Cordon Bleu

\$1.21 Sides: Five-Way Vegetables, Beets, Cold Salads, Fruit, Rice with Gravy

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 4/2

\$7.70 Special: Salad Bar

\$6.44 Entrées: BBQ Chicken, Country Fried Steak with White Gravy

\$1.21 Sides: Peas and Carrots, Cauliflower, Cold Salads, Potatoes Au Gratin, Fruit

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

NOTE: Prices listed are the retail cost per item. ACV members who present their ID badge at the cash register will receive a 10% discount. Menu is subject to change. Individual beverage cost: \$1.30.

GF=Gluten-Free NSA=No Sugar Added

Rumph Dining Room Midday Dining Menu

March 29–April 5, 2024

WEDNESDAY, 4/3

- \$2.53 Soup:** Soup of the Day
\$6.44 Entrées: Stuffed Peppers, Fried Chicken
\$1.21 Sides: Cabbage, California Vegetable Medley, Cold Salads, Fruit, Rice, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 4/4

- \$6.44 Entrées:** Pepper Steak, Lo Mein
\$1.21 Sides: Broccoli, Zucchini and Squash, Garlic Mushroom Rice, Cold Salads, Fruit
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 4/5

- \$2.53 Soup:** Lobster Bisque
\$6.44 Entrées: GF Baked Catfish, GF Butter Garlic Shrimp, Fried Catfish, Chicken Salad Sandwich
\$1.21 Sides: Mixed Greens, Bermuda Vegetable Blend, Baked Beans, Fruit, Cold Salads, Plain Grits, Cheesy Grits
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts



RUMPH DINING RM. \$8.85 WEEKDAY VALUE PLATE

Includes 1 entrée, 2 sides, bread,
and a fountain drink.
For premium entrée, add \$2.30.



RIVER LANDING BISTRO LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Friday, March 29

Beer Battered Cod with Coleslaw & Homemade Chips

Saturday, March 30

Chicken Parmesan with Spaghetti & Garlic Bread



658-5259

Mon–Fri: 11 am–1 pm
Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm



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Sun: 7:30–10 am | 3:30–7 pm
Mon–Fri: 7:30–10 am | 2:30–7 pm
Sat: 7:30–10:00 am | 3–7 pm



658-5777

Wed–Thurs: 11 am–2 pm
Fri–Sat: 8–10:30 am | 11 am–8 pm